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Response Due Date 12/19/2012

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00005926

REFERENCE: SEPTEMBER MONTHLY REPORT (08/01/2012 - 08/31/2012)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 3 item(s):

- 1. Schedule B of your report discloses a reimbursement to an individual for "Reimbursement COBRA." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, a memo entry including the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule B, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. If itemization is not necessary, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. (11 CFR §104.9, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3)
- **2.** On Schedule B supporting Line 29 of the Detailed Summary Page, your committee discloses a disbursement for "Transfer" and lists itself "Illinois Republican Party," as the payee. Please clarify the nature of this transaction or amend Schedule B by providing the correct name and mailing address of the payee.

If this transaction represents an "internal transfer" of funds from one federal account to another, and the source(s) of such funds has been identified in previous reports of receipts and disbursements, please note that such transfers should not be itemized as doing so inflates total receipts and cash on hand. If this is the case, please amend your report accordingly.

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3. Schedule H4 of your report discloses a reimbursement(s) to an individual(s) for apparent travel and subsistence advances in which the total amount reimbursed exceeds \$500. When the reimbursement amount to staff for travel and subsistence advances exceeds \$500, the payments by committee staff that make up the reimbursement have to be itemized as memo entries <u>regardless of the amount</u>. Each memo entry must include the complete name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and an adequate purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule H4, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. (11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinion 1996-20, footnote 3)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1147.

Sincerely,

Maureen Benitz

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